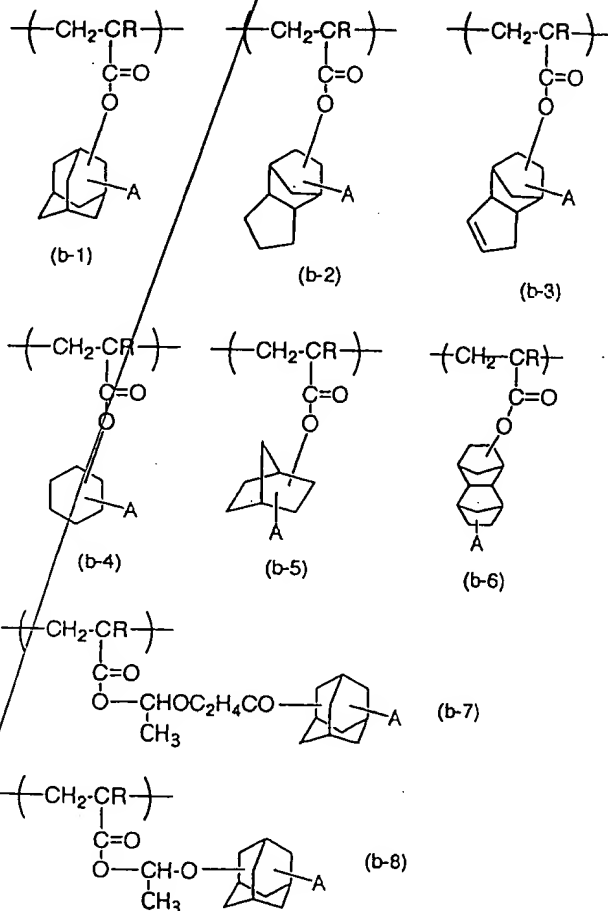


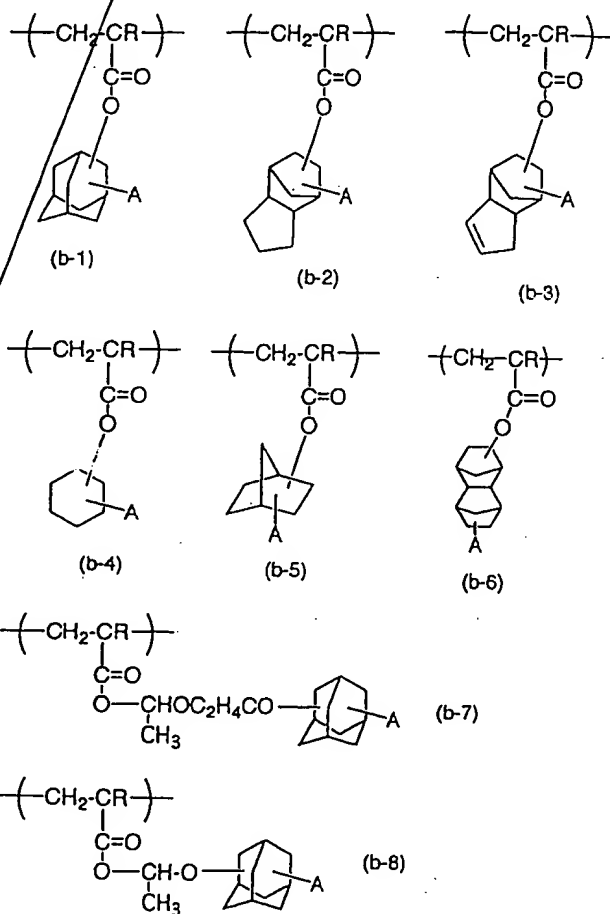
repeating unit selected from the group consisting of repeating units having the structural formulas (b-1) to (b-8):



wherein A is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, a carboxyl group, an alkoxycarbonyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, a substituted or unsubstituted alkoxy group having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, and a substituted or unsubstituted alkenyl group having from

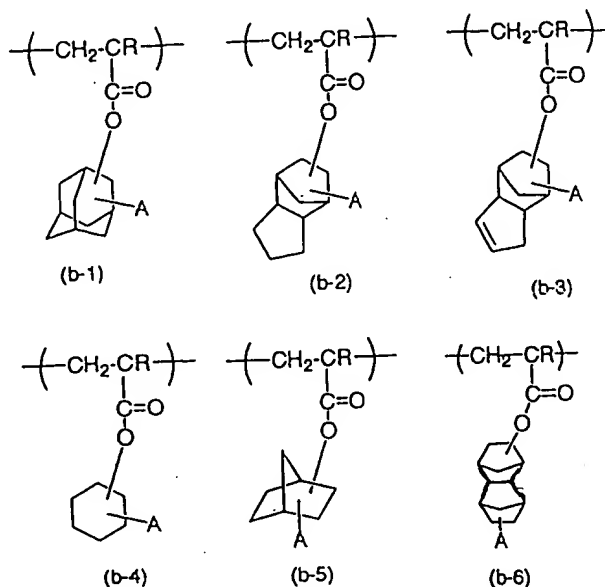
1 to 10 carbon atoms; and R is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms.

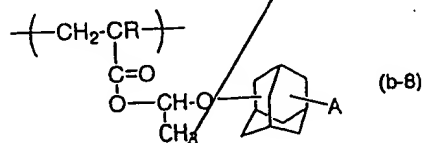
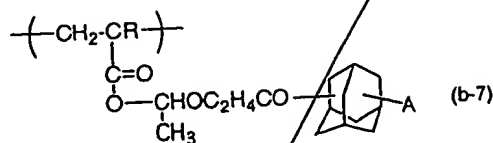
Claim 24 (amended). The positive photosensitive resin composition as claimed in claim 2, wherein said polymer which has alicyclic hydrocarbon skeletons and decomposes under the action of an acid to become alkali soluble contains a repeating unit selected from the group consisting of repeating units having the structural formulas (b-1) to (b-8):



wherein A is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, a carboxyl group, an alkoxycarbonyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, a substituted or unsubstituted alkoxy group having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, and a substituted or unsubstituted alkenyl group having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms; and R is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms.

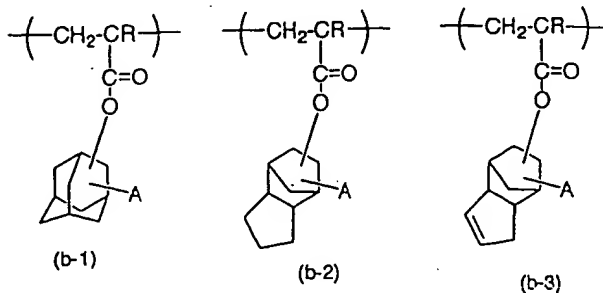
Claim 25 (amended). The positive photosensitive resin composition as claimed in claim 9, wherein said polymer which has alicyclic hydrocarbon skeletons and decomposes under the action of an acid to become alkali soluble contains a repeating unit selected from the group consisting of repeating units having the structural formulas (b-1) to (b-8):

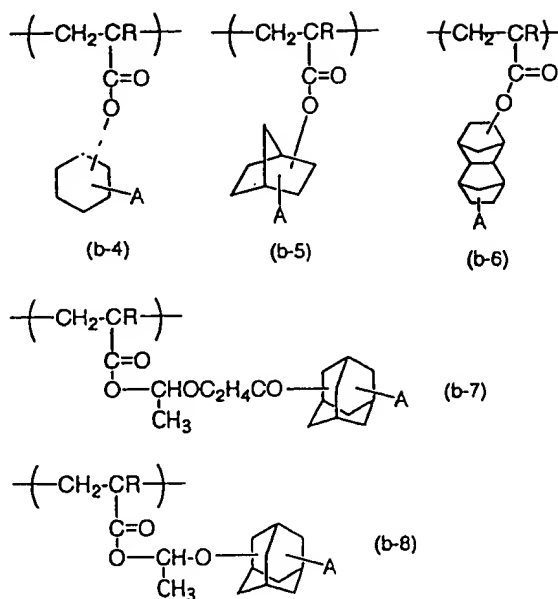




wherein A is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, a carboxyl group, an alkoxycarbonyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, a substituted or unsubstituted alkoxy group having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, and a substituted or unsubstituted alkenyl group having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms; and R is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms.

Claim 26 (amended). The positive photosensitive resin composition as claimed in claim 16, wherein said polymer which has alicyclic hydrocarbon skeletons and decomposes under the action of an acid to become alkali soluble contains a repeating unit selected from the group consisting of repeating units having the structural formulas (b-1) to (b-8):





wherein A is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, a carboxyl group, an alkoxycarbonyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, a substituted or unsubstituted alkoxy group having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms, and a substituted or unsubstituted alkenyl group having from 1 to 10 carbon atoms; and R is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and a substituted or unsubstituted alkyl group having 1 to 3 carbon atoms.